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(1) (C/NF) CHINA

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(3) (S/NF/WN). OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST ([REDACTED])

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1. (U) CHINA: SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS

(U) THE NINTH ROUND OF SINO-SOVIET CONSULTATIONS, TO BE HELD AT THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER-LEVEL, WILL OPEN IN BEIJING ON 26 OCT. SEMI-ANNUAL TALKS HAVE BEEN HELD SINCE 1982. BEIJING MAY SEEK CLARIFICATION OF PROPOSALS MADE DURING GENERAL SECRETARY GORBACHEV'S JULY SPEECH IN VLADIVOSTOK, BUT A CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL ANTICIPATES NO SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS ON THE "THREE OBSTACLES" (WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM AFGHANISTAN, WITHDRAWAL OF VIETNAMESE TROOPS FROM CAMBODIA, REDUCTION OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER) TO IMPROVED RELATIONS. A PLANNED 27-31 OCT VISIT TO CHINA BY THE U.S. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, THE TIME OF THE CONSULTATIONS, DEMONSTRATES BEIJING'S CONTINUED DESIRE FOR AN INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY STANCE.

(U) IN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS, CHINA AND THE USSR HAVE AGREED TO RESUME BORDER TALKS NEXT YEAR, ALSO AT THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER-LEVEL. RELATED TALKS WERE LAST HELD IN 1973. THIS DECISION LIKELY PROMPTED BY GORBACHEV'S RECENT PROPOSAL TO SET THE SINO-SOVIET BOUNDARY ALONG THE MAIN CHANNEL OF THE AMUR RIVER.

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